

METROPOLITAN AMFILOHIJE OF MONTENEGRO REPOSES IN THE LORD



His Eminence Metropolitan Amfilohije, the beloved Metropolitan of Montenegro of the Serbian Orthodox Church, reposed in the Lord at 8:20 this morning at the Clinical Hospital Center of Montenegro, reports the Metropolis' website.

The Metropolitan received Holy Communion before departing to the Lord.

He led the Montenegro Metropolis for 30 years, guiding his flock through years of government persecution. Hundreds of thousands of Orthodox faithful took to the streets twice weekly in Montenegro in the first half of the year, protesting the government's scandalous anti-Orthodox policies, inspiring Orthodox Christians throughout the world.

His Eminence Metropolitan tested positive for the coronavirus on October 6, after which he was admitted to the hospital to be treated for pneumonia. According to regular reports from the Metropolis of Montenegro, his health was steadily improving, and October 20, he tested negative for the coronavirus.

Yesterday, his health took a turn for the worse, and he had to be intubated, suffering from acute pneumonia. His Eminence reposed in the Lord this morning at

the age of 82. Funeral details will be announced soon.

May his memory be eternal!

Metropolitan Amfilohije was born in Morača, Montenegro on January 7, 1938. He graduated from the Theological Seminary in Belgrade in 1962, and was ordained as a priest in 1968.

On June 15, 1973 he was awarded a doctorate from the Theological School of Athens.

On June 16, 1985, he was consecrated as Bishop of Banat. On December 30, 1990, he was elected Metropolitan of Montenegro and the Littoral.

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